oysters by scoop, handscrape, or dredge, from any submerged land of the State reserved for tongers exclusively or closed by any rule or regulation, or order of the Department. THE TAKING OF OYSTERS BY SCOOP, DREDGE OR HANDSCRAPE BY HAND MAY BE AUTHORIZED BY THE SECRETARY, UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY TONGERS COMMITTEE, IN AREAS RESERVED FOR TONGING WHEN AREAS WHICH ARE OTHERWISE DESIGNATED FOR HANDSCRAPING, DREDGING, AND SCOOPING FOR OYSTERS ARE CLOSED BECAUSE OF ICING CONDITIONS. THERE SHALL BE A LIMIT OF 10 BUSHELS PER MAN AND NO MORE THAN 30 BUSHELS PER BOAT. A PERSON MAY NOT HANDSCRAPE FOR OYSTERS AFTER 12 NOON. However, this subsection does not apply to catching seed oysters under the surveillance and with the permission of the Department.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act shall expire automatically on September 15, 1980 without any further action required by the General Assembly.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby-declared-to-be-an-emergency-measure-and-necessary-for the-immediate-preservation-of-the-public-health-and-safety and-having-been-passed-by-a-yea-and-nay-vote-supported-by three-fifths-of-all-the-members-elected-to-each-of-the-two Houses-of-the-General-Assembly,-the-same shall take effect from-the-date-of-its-passage July 1, 1979.

Approved May 1, 1979.

CHAPTER 204

(House Bill 1776)

AN ACT concerning

Queen Anne's County - County Commissioner Elections

FOR the purpose of creating a certain number of County Commissioner Election Districts in Queen Anne's County; providing for the election of County Commissioners by a general vote of the County; providing for primary elections; establishing residency requirements; clarifying language; and providing for a referendum by the qualified voters of Queen Anne's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County Section 5-1 Article 18 - Public Local Laws of Maryland (1974 Edition, as amended)